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PATENT APPLICATION

Examiner : Elvis O. Price
Group Art Unit : 1621
Applicants : Roger D. Tung, et al.
Application No. : 10/786,997 Confirmation No. : 9030
Filed : February 24, 2004
For : NOVEL SULFONAMIDE INHIBITORS OF
ASPARTYL PROTEASE

New York, New York 10020
March 23, 2007

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

This is in response to the September 25, 2006 Final Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to extend the time for replying for a period of three months up to and including March 26, 2007 (March 25 being a Sunday).

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.